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tains in comparison with that older theory. What Mr. Babbitt wants to prove on geological and astronomical evidence has long been anticipated, for biological reasons, by the Leipzig scholar. The latter does not, however, suppose the transverse motion to be a complete rotation but a pendulation along a swinging plane of which he has even determined the poles: an East pole on Sumatra and a West pole in Ecuador. Between the two, the swinging plane would pass through Bering Straits on the western and through Kamerun on the eastern hemisphere. Yet Professor Simroth's name is not even mentioned in Mr. Babbitt's book, nor is that of Dr. Arldt of Radeberg (Saxony), the noted specialist on the Permian glacial period, a period which, by the way, is entirely excluded from Mr. Babbitt's synopsis of glaciation on the Southern hemisphere. (See review of Dr. Arldt's book, *Bull.*, Vol. 42, 1910, pp. 295-96.) A revised and enlarged edition of Mr. Babbitt's book, which would consider the opinions of living scholars as well as of those of the past, and which would show more definitely the author's position among his fellow scientists in this field, might become a real contribution toward a solution of these much discussed problems.

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NEW MAPS**NORTH AMERICA****U. S. GEOLOGICAL SURVEY MAPS**

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